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## RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 8, 2004. In that action, the Examining Attorney requested that Applicant indicate whether newly presented claim 46 is readable upon elected Species IV. It is respectfully submitted that new claim 46 does indeed read upon elected Species IV.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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